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Officer Attacked With Soviet Aide Cleared by AF

Air Force officials said yesterday they have concluded that a meeting between one of their intelligence officers and a Soviet diplomat, both of whom were attacked by a gang of youths here Aug. 16, was coincidental.

The Air Force officer, Lt. Col. Walter D. Brown, 55, of 3504 16th St. NW, told officials he saw the diplomat, Nikolai V. Zhiltsov, apparently having car trouble in the 1600 block of Meridian Place NW, and stopped to see if he could help. He said he was not previously acquainted with the Russian.

The youths fled with Zhiltsov's suit jacket, containing $250 and personal papers. Zhiltsov, who is first secretary of the information section of the Soviet Embassy, lives at the Woodner, 3636 16th St. NW, only a block from Brown's address.